No.07
After the mysterious explosion when the black monster engulfed the Hold,
The monsters lost their leader... Taking advantage of that, the knights pushed through leagues of monsters.
About 600 knights left the Hold. But after repeated attacks, the forces grew smaller, and only a small portion have survived.

THEY GOT GAIMAN.

DO YOU HAVE A MEMENTO OF HIM...?
WE GOT THE DAGGER HE ALWAYS LIKED TO USE.
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LET'S GO.

Several hours after escaping the Hold,
One troop of knights marched across the desert towards the sea where the navy docked.
By then, the commanding officers died in action. Even Commander Rivites was wounded.
Casey had taken over the responsi-bility of guiding the knights.
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I SEE IT!
I SEE THE OCEAN!
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JUST TWO MORE HOURS AND WE'LL MAKE IT.
WE CAN GO BACK...
WE CAN GO BACK TO THE CAPITAL!
WE CAN GO BACK...
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WHAT WAS THAT?
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GUH!
AAGH!?
-HACK-
-COUGH-
-COUGH-
WHAT...
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HAPPENED!?
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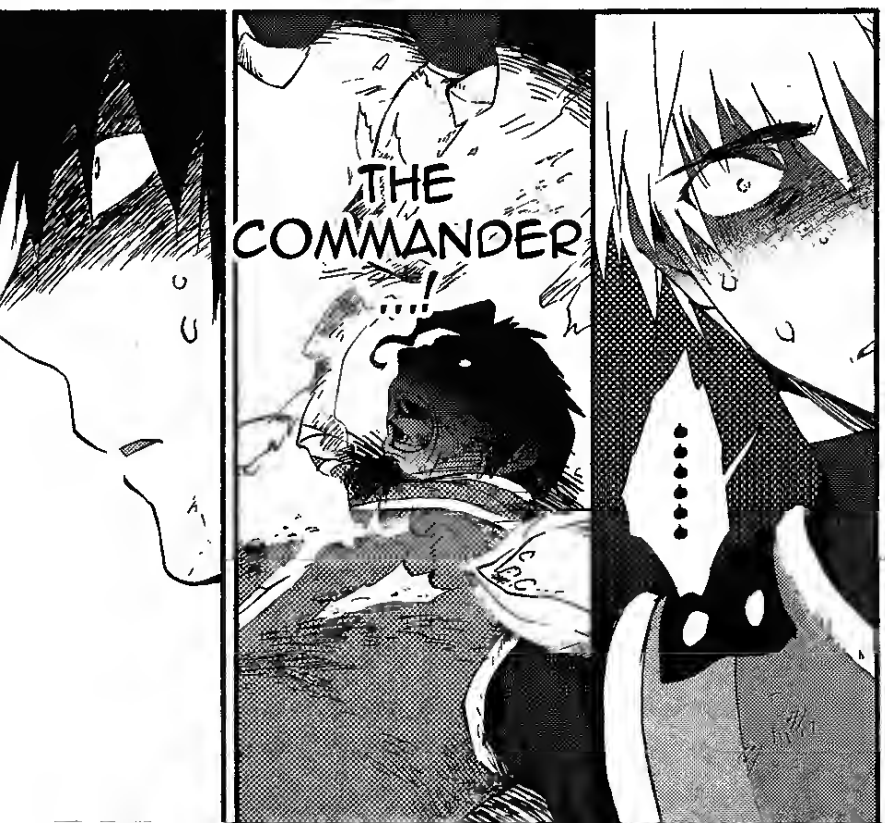
THE COMMANDER...!
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NO WAY ...
IT CAME ALL THE WAY HERE...

IT WASN'T DAMAGED AT ALL BY THAT EXPLOSION ...?
...EVEN NOW IT STILL WANTS TO TORMENT US, HUH?
HERE THEY COME!

SHIT! WE DON'T HAVE OUR ARROWS!
WE'RE AT A DISAD-VANTAGE HAVING TO CONTINUE USING THESE WEAPONS LIKE THIS...
SAMA-RAS!!
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AAAH
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AAGH
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YOU FUCKER !!
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C'MON WAKE UP! SAMA...
SAMA- RAS!
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DAMU- RON!
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LIEUTE-
NANT!
DAMU-
RON!
WOAH!
WOAH!
HIETHUM!
THERE'S
STILL
A LIVE
HORSE!?

WH-WHAT ARE YOU SAYING!?
PLEASE TAKE THIS AND FLEE.
I CAN'T DO THAT!
DON'T BE STUPID! I AM YOUR SUPERIOR!
IT'S ONLY A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE WE ALL DIE ANYWAY. WITH OR WITHOUT A COMMANDER.

IF YOU MAKE IT, YOU CAN REBUILD THE PLATOON.
THEN THIS WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN ALL FOR NOTHING.
I BELIEVE THAT IS YOUR DUTY, LIEUTENANT.
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I... I DIDN'T CREATE THIS PLATOON,
FOR IT TO END LIKE THIS!
I KNOW. BUT, IT'S GOING TO END LIKE THIS.

-huff-
-huff-
DAMU-RON!

...THAT'S A LARGE ROLE FOR ME.

YOU'RE TO ACCOM-PANY HER. UNTIL THE END.

WOAH, WOAH
THIS BAG HAS MEMENTOS OF EVERYONE... HIETHUM COLLECTED THEM AND ENTRUSTED THEM TO US.
CASEY

SCREAMING
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GAHHH

THAT GUY WHO GAVE HER THE COMPACT ...
I WONDER HOW FAR HE MADE IT UNTIL...
OH
THE SEA...!

IF WE GET ACROSS THE BEACH, THE NAVY UNIT WILL-
AH...

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TIME IS PASSING...
WAS IT ALREADY LIKE THIS ...
WHEN WE LEFT THE HOLD ...?

THE BLACK... MONSTER
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UGH
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SO IT CAN DO THAT TOO, HUH...

WE'RE THE ONLY ONES LEFT NOW.
BUT, YOU DON'T PLAN ON GOING DOWN WITHOUT A FIGHT... DO YOU?
THANK YOU FOR BEING WITH ME UNTIL THE END.
I LOVE THAT ABOUT YOU.
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I love you, too, Casey.
JUST THIS ONCE... LET ME TAKE THOSE WORDS AT FACE VALUE.

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AGH!
ドオッ
UGH!
ズシャアッ

I CAN'T EVEN TELL WHERE THEY ARE...
HAH...
HOW MANY BONES DID I BREAK?
HAH...
UGH...
OUCH

!!

...IT'S TOO SOON.

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!!
CA-
UGH

IT'S NOT SUPPOSED TO BE LIKE THIS.

IT'S REVERSED.
I'M SUPPOSED TO BE THE ONE PROTECTING HER.

RUN AWAY, CASEY.

EVEN IF IT'S ONLY BY A SECOND,

YOU HAVE TO LIVE LONGER THAN ME!!!

DIAMOND LIGHTNING

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CASEY
no...
CASEY...!
UGH!
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